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At His Arrival in

HOLLAND,

After the DISCOVERY

Of the late horrid CONSPIRACY

Against

His most Sacred Person.

By Mr. PRIOR.

Serus in cœlum redeas, diuque Latus intersis populo Quirini, Neve te nostris vitiis iniquum Ocyor aura

Tollat, hic magnos potius triumphos Hic ames dici pater atque Princeps, Neu sinas Gallos equitare inultos Te duce, C ÆSAR.

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Ordains on Earth and humane Acts to wait;
Who turn with secret Power this restless Ball;
And bid determind Empires rise and fall:
Your facred Aid religious Princes own
When first they merit, then ascend the Throne:
But Tyrants dread you, lest your just Decree
Transfer the Power, and set the People free.
See Tescuid Britain, at your Altars bow,
And hear her hymns your happy care avow.

Life untouch'd as is his Pame:

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That yet her Axes and her Rods support
Her Judges hand, and grace her awful Court,
Where Law with all her pompous terrour stands
To wrest the Dagger from the Traitours hands,
Where rigid Justice reads the satal Word,
Poises the Ballance sirst, then draws the Sword.

To your bleft guidance She her safety owns,
That she can sep rate Parricides from Sons,
And boldly give those Criminals their doom,
Who would, like Nero, rip their Parents womb:
That, Death and Hell disarm'd, She lives and reigns,
Her steedom Kept by Him who broke her chains.

And thou, bleft Guardian, destin'd to desend
That Sacred Life on which all ours depend:
Thou sure, whose charge of old was Israel's Count.
When sent from Heav'n great David's strong support,
Thy arm unseen eluded cruel Saul,
And struck the useless Javelin to the Wall.
Thy later care o'er WILLIAM'S Temples held
On Boyn's propitious Banks the heav'nly Shield,
When Europe pale betwixt two Armies stood,
When Europe pale betwixt two Armies stood,
Till Miracles did WILLIAM'S right declare.
And Cannons mark't whom they were bid to spare

Still, bleffed Angel, be thy care the same,

Re WILLIAM'S Life untouch'd as is his Fame:

Let Him own Thine as BRITAIN owns his Hand; And fave the King, as He has fav'd the Land.

VVe Angels forms in pious Monarchs view, We reverence WILLIAM, for He acts like You; Like You commission'd to chastize and bless, He must avenge the World, and give it Peace.

Our Prayers are heard, new Miracles are shown, The Powers that rescu'd will preserve the Throne: The Hero dear to Earth, by Heav'n beloy'd, By troubles must be vex't, by dangers prov'd, His Foes must contribute to make Him great, And six his Glory sure on their defeat.

So tho with sudden rage the Tempest comes,
Tho the Winds roar, and tho the Water foams,
Fair Britain on the angry Sea looks down,
And smiling sees Her Rebel Subject frown;
Heav'n in assaulting Her confirms her power,
The Waves but whiten Her triumphant Shore;
In vain they would advance, in vain retreat,
Broken they dash and perish at Her feet.

'Tis done, once more thro' BRITAIN's joyful Sea Her glorious Monarch plows his Prosp'rous way, Arm'd with those Fleets who have in thunder said To distant VVorlds, whose Empire they obey'd:

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Their parts of Glory dealt by His command, In A Their glowing Brests with fresh Ideas sir'd, How WILLIAM conquer'd, and how FRANCE retir'd, VVhen fixt as Fate he stood in Namur's Field, Till Rocks and Floods and Fire were taught to yield, Till Flander's freed the Hero's arm confest, But trembled for the Courage which she blest.

He comes; pale Gallia dreads his Arms a-far,
And bent on Parricide refuses VVar,
But well she knows his Vengeance n'er will tread
Those Paths of horrour which her guilt has led.
The Trumpets Sounds shall tell the arming Foe
VVhen WILLIAM meditates the noble Blow,
Before the foremost Troops in open sight
The Hero's arm shall prove the Monarchs right.

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